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## MINORITY LOAN AWARENESS SEMINAR SET FOR MAY 18

PICAYUNE, Miss., May 9 – Officials with the Mississippi Development Authority's, Minority Business Enterprise Division, Rural Minority Business Development Center along with the Picayune Community Development Department will host a Minority Loan Awareness Seminar Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at the Mississippi Mall Centraplex located on Civic Center Memorial Boulevard in Picayune, Mississippi. Registration opens at 6 p.m. The seminar begins at 6:30 p.m. concluding at 8:30 p.m.

There is no cost to attend the seminar, however pre-registration is required due to limited seating.

"This seminar will be a wonderful opportunity for people to obtain information that could prove to be most beneficial to their businesses. Our goal is to promote the growth and development of minority-owned businesses in Mississippi. This is but one of many tools we utilize to assist the minority business community," said Gennie Jones, director, Mississippi Development Authority, Minority Business Enterprise Division.

To register or for additional information, please call Robert Williams with the Mississippi Development Authority at 228-396-9185 of 601-798-9778.

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